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StarbucksŽ FrappuccinoŽ

Here’s one that I get requests for all of the time, and that you won’t yet find in any book. This is a clone for Starbucks’ “Lowfat Creamy Blend of Coffee & Milk” that you can now find in the all-too-puny 9 1/2-ounce bottles in most stores. Those little bottles will set you back at least a buck, but this Top Secret Recipes version costs a mere fraction of that. Plus, the recipe actually makes enough that you can get a pretty major caffeine buzz. Then, when you get down to the “Tidbits” I’ll tell you how to clone espresso with a standard drip machine and ground coffee. Cool!

1/2 cup fresh espresso 2 1/2 cups lowfat milk (2 percent) 1/4 cup granulated sugar 1 tablespoon dry pectin*

Combine all of the ingredients in a pitcher or covered container. Stir or shake until sugar is dissolved. Chill and serve cold. Makes 24 ounces.

Tidbits

To make the “Mocha” variety: Add a pinch ($1/16$ teaspoon) of cocoa powder to the mixture before combining.

To fake espresso with a drip coffee maker and standard grind of coffee: Use $1/3$ cup ground coffee and 1 cup of water. Brew once then run coffee through machine again, same grounds. Makes about $1/2$ cup fresh espresso to use in the above recipe. Run a pot of water through machine, without grounds, to clean.

*This is a natural thickener found in fruits that is used for canning. You can find it in the supermarket near the

canning supplies. It is used in this recipe to make the drink thicker and creamier, and can be found in the original recipe. It does not add to the flavor and can be excluded if you don't care so much about duplicating the texture of the real thing.